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June 30, 2015

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Cynthia A. Harding, M.P.H.
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SUBJECT: **NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT AND IMPLEMENT STANDARD AGREEMENT NUMBER 15-10003 FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO SUPPORT THE HEALTH FACILITIES INSPECTION DIVISION FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018**

This is to notify you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on June 30, 2015, to accept and implement a forthcoming Standard Agreement (SA) between the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and the Department of Public Health (DPH) Health Facilities Inspection Division (HFID) for the term of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018, at an amount estimated not to exceed \$42,000,000 per fiscal year (FY), subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office.

Under this authority, I will accept SA Number 15-10003 from the CDPH, for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018 in the amount of \$125,367,138 (\$41,789,046 per FY). These funds will allow DPH's HFID to perform federal certifications of local health care facilities and investigate long-term care complaints and entity-reported incidents.

The SA requires the County to indemnify the State for all claims and losses related to the Agreement. This is a standard requirement of the State and cannot be waived. I have been advised by Risk Management and County Counsel of the risks associated with this provision. However, I believe these risks to be acceptable in light of the need for the program funds and the resulting benefit to public health.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the SA as to form and this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Interim Chief Executive Officer
Interim County Counsel
Acting Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors